

loan institutions, to improve the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation ("RTC") in order to assure the taxpayers the fairest and most efficient disposition of savings and loan assets, to provide for a comprehensive transition plan to assure an orderly transfer of RTC resources to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, to abolish the RTC, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. GONZALEZ, pursuant to House Resolution 250, the bill of the Senate (S. 714) to provide funding for the resolution of failed savings associations, and for other purposes; was taken from the Speaker's table.

When said bill was considered and read twice.

Mr. GONZALEZ submitted the following amendment, which was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the provisions of H.R. 1340 as passed by the House.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

By unanimous consent, the title of the bill was amended so as to read: "An Act to provide for the remaining funds needed to assure that the United States fulfills its obligation for the protection of depositors at savings and loan institutions, to improve the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation ("RTC") in order to assure the taxpayers the fairest and most efficient disposition of savings and loan assets, to provide for a comprehensive transition plan to assure an orderly transfer of RTC resources to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, to abolish the RTC, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider the votes whereby said bill, as amended, was passed and the title was amended was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. GONZALEZ, by unanimous consent, it was,

Resolved, That the House insist upon its amendments to the foregoing bill and request a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon.

Thereupon, the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. OBEY, by unanimous consent, announced the appointment of the following Members as managers on the part of the House at said conference:

From the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs, for consideration of the Senate bill, and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. GONZALEZ, NEAL of North Carolina, LAFALCE, VENTO, SCHUMER, FRANK of Massachusetts, KANJORSKI, KENNEDY, FLAKE, LEACH, and MCCOLLUM; Mrs. ROUKEMA, and Messrs. BEREUTER, ROTH, and BAKER of Louisiana.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Government Operations, for consideration of section 13 of the Senate bill, and section 23 of the House amendment, and modifications com-

mitted to conference: Mr. CONYERS, Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois, and Messrs. ENGLISH of Oklahoma, CLINGER, and MCCANDLESS.

As additional conferees from the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of sections 18 and 22 of the Senate bill, and sections 4 and 19 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. BROOKS, HUGHES, BOUCHER, FISH, and GOODLATTE.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

By unanimous consent, H.R. 1340, a similar House bill, was laid on the table.

¶101.11 UNFINISHED BUSINESS— APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. OBEY, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced the unfinished business to be the question on agreeing to the Chair's approval of the Journal of Monday, September 13, 1993.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. OBEY, announced that the yeas had it. So the Journal was approved.

¶101.12 COMMISSION ON LEAVE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. OBEY, by unanimous consent and pursuant to the provisions of section 303(a) of Public Law 103-3, appointed on behalf of the Speaker to the Commission on Leave, Mrs. UNSOELD; and from private life, Ms. Pamela L. Egan of Helena, Montana, and Ms. Ellen Bravo of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate of the foregoing appointments.

¶101.13 MIDEAST PEACE

Mr. HAMILTON moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 143):

Whereas the conflict in the Middle East has caused untold suffering for many decades;

Whereas the people of the State of Israel have the right to live in peace within secure and recognized borders;

Whereas successive administrations of the United States Government have worked diligently to achieve a just and lasting peace in the Middle East;

Whereas under the leadership of President Carter, Israeli Prime Minister Begin and Egyptian President Sadat signed the historic Camp David Accords of 1978;

Whereas under the leadership of President Bush, a dialogue among the parties to the Middle East conflict was initiated at Madrid in October 1991;

Whereas this dialogue was continued through the strong and constructive efforts of President Clinton and his administration;

Whereas the Government of Norway, through its Foreign Minister, played an instrumental role in facilitating the negotiations that led to the signing of the Declaration of Principles between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization;

Whereas the Palestine Liberation Organization has recognized the right of the State of Israel to exist in peace and security, an-

nounced that it renounces terrorism and other acts of violence, and agreed to amend its charter to delete all references to the destruction of the State of Israel;

Whereas the State of Israel has recognized the Palestine Liberation Organization as the representative of the Palestinian people;

Whereas Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization have agreed to a Declaration of Principles concerning an interim period of limited autonomy for Palestinians on the West Bank and in Gaza; and

Whereas many difficult issues remain to be resolved in future discussions: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—

(1) supports the agreement between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization, and hopes it will serve as an historic opportunity to move toward a comprehensive and lasting peace in the Middle East;

(2) applauds the efforts of the Clinton administration to facilitate these developments;

(3) welcomes the decision of the Palestine Liberation Organization to recognize the State of Israel and to renounce terrorism and other acts of violence and accept the path of peaceful coexistence;

(4) welcomes the decision of the State of Israel to enter into the Declaration of Principles, and reaffirms its commitment to helping assure the continued security of the State of Israel;

(5) commends all those who have worked diligently to achieve these accords;

(6) encourages all parties to the Middle East peace process to continue to work vigorously in the pursuit of a comprehensive peace for the region; and

(7) endorses continuing United States engagement in the peace process, and is committed to supporting efforts to make this agreement a success.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. OBEY, recognized Mr. HAMILTON and Mr. GILMAN, each for 20 minutes.

After debate, The question being put, viva voce, Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said concurrent resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. OBEY, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said concurrent resolution.

¶101.14 JOINT SESSION FOR ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT

Mr. HAMILTON submitted the following privileged concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 144):

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the two Houses of Congress assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Wednesday, September 22, 1993, at 9 o'clock post meridiem, for the purpose of receiving such communication as the President of the United States shall be pleased to make to them.

When said concurrent resolution was considered and agreed to.